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CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROGRAM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Janis Sigman, Manager Certificate of Need Program Department of Health PO Box 47852 Olympia WA 98504-7852

Dear Ms. Sigma:

In accordance with WAC 246-310-080, Yakima Valley Memorial Home Care and Hospice Services dba Memorial Hospice hereby submits a letter of intent proposing the establishment of a 20-bed hospice care center to be located in Yakima County.

In conformance with WAC, the following information is provided:

- 1. <u>A Description of the Extent of Services Proposed</u>: Memorial Hospice proposes to establish a 20-bed hospice care center to provide residential hospice services to area patients and their families.
- 2. <u>Estimated Cost of the Proposed Project:</u> The estimated capital expenditure associated with this project is not expected to exceed \$7 million.
- 3. <u>Description of the Service Area</u>: The primary service area will be Yakima County.

Thank you for your interest in this matter. Please feel free to contact me with any questions at 509-575-8001.

Sincerely

R. W. Linneweh, Jr.

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